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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. In accordance with the pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003," only copies of the listed foreign documents and the U.S. application listed below are enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. application:

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US '124, US '262, US '600, US '359, US '333, US '129, US '796, JP '670 and JP '461, which generally relate to ink jet recording, are discussed at pages 21 and 22 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

US '846, JP '861, EP '181, EP '954, EP '531, EP '896, JP '551 and EP '561 were cited in a Search Report of a corresponding European application. The Examiner might find these documents relevant for the reasons noted therein. A copy of the Search Report is included for the Examiner's convenience.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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